

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 1989-230-EG - ORDER NO. 2007-605

SEPTEMBER 7, 2007

IN RE: Investigation of Property Transfers from)	ORDER APPROVING
South Carolina Electric and Gas Company,)	PROPERTY TRANSFER
SCANA, Other SCANA Affiliates and Non-)	OUTSIDE COMPETITIVE
Affiliated Entities, and Allocation of)	BIDDING PROCESS
Expenses Revenues and Plant between South)	
Carolina Electric and Gas Company,)	
SCANA and SCANA Affiliates)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on a request by South Carolina Electric & Gas Company (“SCE&G” or the “Company”) to sell certain real property without engaging in the competitive bidding process required by Order No. 92-931 (dated November 13, 1992). The property at issue consists of approximately 0.188 acres located near the intersection of Heyward Street and Main Street in Columbia, South Carolina, where the Company once operated a substation, but is now undeveloped property. SCE&G has entered into negotiations with the unaffiliated entity 100 South Main Associates (“SMA”) to sell this now vacant tract of surplus land for \$60,000. SMA has a contract to purchase the contiguous property which contains a commercial building with very little parking space. As represented by SCE&G, the properties would benefit from their assemblage to each other.

Order No. 92-931 (dated November 13, 1992) articulates the requirement that SCE&G must engage in a competitive bidding process if it seeks to engage in the sale of real property worth in excess of \$50,000. The purpose of this bidding requirement is to

protect against affiliate preferences and insure that SCE&G disposes of real property in a manner which promotes fair and equitable treatment of the parties to the transaction, potential bidders, and SCE&G customers.

Although the sale of land to SMA crosses the \$50,000 threshold necessary to require competitive bidding, SMA is unaffiliated with SCE&G and is offering fair market value as evinced from SCE&G's claim that the property's appraised value was \$45,000 in 2004. In addition, SCE&G states it has no future plans for the property. The South Carolina Office of Regulatory Staff has informed the Commission that it has no objection to the sale.

For the foregoing reasons, the Commission waives the competitive bidding requirement of Order No. 92-931 and grants the request of SCE&G to sell the above mentioned property to SMA.

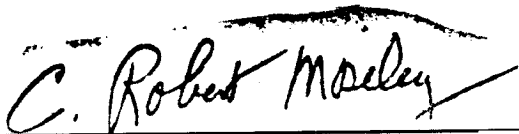
This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:



G. O'Neal Hamilton, Chairman

ATTEST:



C. Robert Moseley, Vice Chairman

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